

6580

Sponsor(s): Senators Doumit, Oke and Jacobsen; by request of Washington State Patrol

Brief Description: Authorizing statewide regulation of outdoor burning.

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Provides that, whenever the state fire marshal finds that conditions of extreme fire hazard exist and that state resources or the protection of life and property may be in danger, the fire marshal may recommend to the governor that the governor prohibit all outdoor burning on public and private land throughout the state or within specific portions of the state.

Provides that, upon receiving such a recommendation from the state fire marshal, if the governor finds that state resources or the protection of life and property are in danger then the governor may issue an executive order forbidding all outdoor burning throughout the state or within specific portions of the state. The order shall be in effect until rescinded by the governor.

Declares that it shall be unlawful for any person to conduct or cause to be conducted any outdoor burning at any time and place as is forbidden by an executive order issued pursuant to this act.

Provides that intentional violation of this act is a crime and shall be punished as a gross misdemeanor.

Provides that negligent violation of this act is a class 1 civil infraction pursuant to chapter 7.80 RCW.